

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 -
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1794**

Attorney's Docket No. **048790/310101**

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Riccardo Bigolin	Confirmation No.: 6981
Appl. No.: 10/574,520	Group No.: 1794
Filed: January 23, 2007	Examiner: Catherine A. Simone
For: VISCOELASTIC SUPPORT STRUCTURE WITH IMPROVED ENERGY ABSORPTION PROPERTIES	

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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of THREE months to respond to the Office Action dated July 16, 2008.
2. Applicant is ☒ a small entity; ☐ other than a small entity.
3. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5)):

<u>Total Months</u> <u>Requested</u>	<u>Fee For Other</u> <u>Than Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee for</u> <u>Small Entity</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$130.00	\$65.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$490.00	\$245.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> three months	\$1,110.00	\$555.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,730.00	\$865.00
<input type="checkbox"/> five months*	\$2,350.00	\$1,175.00

**Cannot be used to exceed six-month statutory limit for response to an Official Action.*

- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.
- ☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for the extension fee.
- ☒ All fees are being authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605 when electronically filing
- ☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for any fee deficiency.

Respectfully submitted,

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